

Monroe-Livingston Regional EMS Council

Meeting Minutes

September 15, 2025 @ 4PM

1190 Scottsville Rd, RM 117

Rochester, NY 14624

Welcome by Chair Sam Tinelli – Meeting called to order 1602

- Pledge of Allegiance

Calling of the Roll. Michael Witkowski

Officer / Committee Reports:

- Chairperson Report: Sam Tinelli
 - SEMSCO Representative Report: No Report

 - Program Agency Contract Status: No Report

- Vice Chair: Jon Smith
 - Systems Operations Committee Report:
 - Penfield Volunteer Ambulance CON
 - Conflict of Interest Statement discussed – Thomas Coyle Conflicted 51% Ownership
 - Application was returned to fix a technical issue (missing Notary Signature) fixed within 6 mins
 - Set a Public Hearing date time and location set
 - Public Hearing conducted with a Hearing Officer, Committee reviewed after receipt of the transcripts
 - The transcripts of the hearing sent out to the Council for review prior to meeting
 - The committee met to discuss the information from our Legal Counsel about the Transfer vs CON Expansion.

- Transfer of the Municipal CON is not capable due to the requirement that substantially or all the Municipal Assets would need to be transferred.
- Only method to move forward is to expansion of CON
- As of this morning 9-15-25 at 9am, Ben contacted NYS DEMS about Fitness and Competency, email attached.
- The state has forbidden us from taking any further action until such time as the Fitness and Competency issue is resolved.
- Motion - Recommendation from the committee to temporarily postpone any vote until NYS DEMS gets back with us

- Roll Call vote:
 - William Arnold Yes
 - Alex Cook Yes
 - Xavier Corujo Yes
 - Thomas Coyle Conflict
 - Jeremy Cushman Yes
 - Timothy Czapranski Yes
 - Karen Dewar Yes
 - Aaron Farney Yes
 - Evan Fendt Yes
 - Timothy Frost Yes
 - Geordie Klueber Yes
 - Jonathan Lindskoog Yes
 - Amanda Martin Yes
 - Jesse Merdak Yes
 - Andrew Perez Yes
 - Eric Rathfelder Yes
 - Meghann Rose Yes
 - Sahil Singhai Yes
 - Jonathan Smith Yes
 - Samuel Tinelli Yes
 - Michael Witkowski Yes
 - Andrew Young Yes

Motion to postpone further action based on NYS Division of EMS, is Approved

- The committee suggests that we review and make revisions to MLREMS policies once this process is completed.
- A special meeting will need to be called once NYS DEMS clears the Fitness and Competency.

- Mutual Aid Plan – Monroe County Counsel Reviewing – Tim C follow up Weekly – Daily
 - NEG Committee Report: Working on Officers
- Treasurer / Finance Committee Alex Cook: -
 - Review and motion for approval May, 2025 Finance Report;
 - Review and motion for approval June, 2025 Finance Report;
 - Review and motion for approval July, 2025 Finance Report;
 - Bill Arnold and Alex Cook – Unanimously Approved
 - Working on the backlog owed invoices with the State
- Secretary / Membership Committee Michael Witkowski:
 - Motion to approve May 19, 2025, Council minutes.
 - 2026 REMSCO and REMAC Dates Tim Frost / Andrew Young
- **Council Meetings: Location: Avon**
 - January 26th (4th Monday due to the MLK holiday)
 - March 16th
 - May 18th (usually at the PSTF for our award ceremony)
 - July 20th
 - September 21st
 - November 16th
- **REMAC Meetings: Location: PSTF room TBD**
 - February 23rd (4th Monday due to Presidents Holiday)
 - April 20th
 - June 15th
 - August 17th
 - October 19th
 - December 21st

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Motion to approve the dates and Bill Arnold and Andrew Perez

- Regional Medical Director – Jeremy Cushman
 - No Report
- SEMAC Representative Maia Dorset:
 - Unable to attend
- REMAC Representative Aaron Farney:
 - Resignation of Dr. LaBarge Peds
 - Oct 20th next meeting

- Training & Ed Chair: Amanda Martin will be taking over as chair of this committee.
- PIER Chair Geordie Klueber:
 - Informative: working on the new Council Awards for 2026
 - Submission process to be streamlined
- Livingston County EMS Coordinator Karen Dewar:
 - No report
- Monroe County EMS Coordinator Tim Czapranski:
 - October 1st, Champak Training goal to get them out to the field providers within 60 mins historically this has not been an issue in Monroe County
- Program Agency Ben Sensenbach:
 - State Actions:

Amanda Eugui	256221	For violations of a previous stipulation and order	Suspended for one (1) year effective 8/12/25.	8/12/25
Bensonhurst Volunteer Ambulance Service, Inc.	7193	For violations of 10 NYCRR 800.21(j) and PHL § 3012(1)(b).	Ambulance Service Certificate is revoked effective July 16, 2025.	7/17/2025
Tanner, Steven	430642	For violations of 10 NYCRR § 800.16(a)(13).	Surrendered effective 6/20/2025..	6/24/2025
Sarker, Muntaqa	519343	For violations of 10 NYCRR § 800.16.	Certification is suspended for 3 years effective 6/17/2025. The suspension is stayed pending no further patient abuse violations during the three-year probationary	6/17/2025

			period. Assessed a \$2000 civil penalty.	
Torres, Evan	498621	For violations of 10 NYCRR § 800.16.	Certification is suspended for 3 years effective 6/17/2025. The suspension is stayed pending no further patient abuse violations during the three-year probationary period. Assessed a \$2000 civil penalty.	6/17/2025

- Attended Program Agency Meeting with the others in the State, Contracts are close to completion
- Ben will reach out to stakeholders about Paramedic and retention

- Bureau of EMS – Brian Wiedman
 - 2 new Investigators out of Buffalo hired and in orientation

- Old Business – Website redesign current cost of \$2900 per year. Reached out for a proposal for website redesign of \$4400 cost and \$360 per year to maintain. Making a motion to redesign and decrease the yearly cost. State put the financial burden on Council Grimm Media – Alex Cook – Seconded by Sahill Singhal – question from Mr. Coyle do we have the funds to do this. Alex, yes, based on the cost will lower our yearly. Info will be exported out of the current site and can be moved to the new system. Unanimously approved

- New Business – Penfield Volunteer Ambulance CON vote – REMOVED based on NYS EMS guidance
 - No other new business

- NYS DOH and Other Important Dates –
 - Vital Signs Conference November 11-15, 2025, OnCenter Syracuse NY.

- Next Council Meeting – November 17, 2025, 16:00 Hours at Livingston County EMS 5582 Lake Road Avon, NY.

Adjournment – Johnathan Smith – Gerodie Klueber